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<b>U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>									
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	A2	4,219,440	08/26/80	Runck et al.			06/06/79		
	A3	4,686,479	08/11/87	Young et al.			07/22/85		
	A4	4,945,062	07/31/90	Chiang			06/15/88		
	A5	5,013,666	05/07/91	Chiang			07/16/90		
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<b>FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>									
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<b>OTHER ART, JOURNAL ARTICLES, ETC.</b>									
EXAM. INIT.	<b>OTHER DOCUMENTS: (Including Author, Title, Date, Relevant Pages, Place of Publication)</b>								
	C1	Nova Biomedical Corp., Product Information insert for Stat Profile® pHox® Plus L Blood Gas/SO <sub>2</sub> /Hct/Hb/Electrolyte/Glucose/Lactate Auto-Cartridge QC.							
	C2	Stott, et al., "Analytical Artifacts in Hematocrit Measurements by Whole-Blood Chemistry Analyzers," Clinical Chemistry (1995), Vol. 41, No. 2, pgs. 306-311.							
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